

## **EASTERN ESCAPES PVT. LTD.**

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All the visitors need a visa to enter Bhutan, except for visitors from India, who require a permit. Nationals of Bangladesh and the Maldives, as well as nationals of Switzerland and Thailand who hold diplomatic or government-official passports, are also eligible for a visa on arrival at their port of entry. Foreigners can stay in Bhutan as a tourist for a maximum of 90 days.

Visitors can apply for their visa through <a href="https://visit.doi.gov.bt/">https://visit.doi.gov.bt/</a>, or if anyone is booking their package through us, we take care of the visa.

The documents which you will need to process the visa:

- A digital copy of your passport or voter ID card.
- Those under the age of 18 can use a birth certificate or passport and must be accompanied by a legal guardian.
- A recent digital passport size photograph.

The visa fee is US\$40 per person; this fee is non-refundable and non-transferable.

It may take up to five working days to process a correctly input visa application.

The Sustainable Development Fee (SDF) is a daily levy paid by visitors to support Bhutan's development. Since the Kingdom first opened its doors in 1974, guests have played a critical role in our country's growth. The SDF is collected by the national exchequer and funds are allocated to various projects that create long-term, sustainable opportunities for the Bhutanese people, through free healthcare, education and training, upskilling the tourism and hospitality industry, improved infrastructure, environmental preservation and conservation, cultural preservation programmes and initiatives that support local businesses and economies. The SDF is also a vital means of maintaining the exceptional forest cover and carbon-neutrality for which our small nation is world-renowned and globally critical. The SDF also helps to ensure the continuity to offer guests tranquility and an intimate experience, maintained.

For all visitors except those from India, the SDF is USD 200 per person, per night. Effective 01<sup>st</sup> September 2023, a 50% discount on the SDF has been announced. Under this incentive, the SDF is USD 100 per person per night. This is a limited time incentive valid until 31 August 2027. The SDF must be paid during the visa or permit application via a credit card.